

A BROKEN MAN.

London Chronicle Calls Gladstone's Speech a Failure.

His Voice Was Cold and Harsh.

HIS FRIENDS CHILLED.

A Sorry Send Off to a Great Movement.

Los Angeles, Feb. 21.— Mr. Gladstone's attitude toward the house of lords in the house of commons yesterday has caused disappointment even to high officials in the ministerial ranks, while the radicals do not disguise the fact that they are indignant. A cabinet council has been summoned for Friday, and some important movement on the part of the government is expected.

The Chronicle's editorial, upon yesterday's debate, is causing a sensation. The Unionists reprinted it with big headings, and I pretend to look up in a call for Mr. Gladstone to resign.

The Chronicle called the debate a huberous farce and said that it would be difficult to imagine more enlightened and painless oriquies. Continuing, the Chronicle remarked that Mr. Gladstone's speech was totally unworthy of the occasion, and that it chilled his followers to the bone.

"The Liberal party," the Chronicle added, "has a right to know where it stands. If Mr. Gladstone feels that age and infirmities press too heavily upon him for the leadership of an uncompromising crusade, it is for him to say so."

The Chronicle's special house of commons lobby reporter says that it is difficult to imagine a more painful performance. The speaker's voice, he asserts, was rough and broken, and even his words came with difficulty. There was no hint, he also says, which suggested that the powers were not most estimable.

In conclusion, the Chronicle's special reporter remarks: "It was truly a terrible send off for a great movement."

BURIED BY A SNOWSLIDE

Wood Choppers in Nevada Covered by Snow and Ice.

YERKIN, Nev., Feb. 21.— About noon Monday five wood choppers were caught in a snowdrift in the mountains five miles from here. Nothing was known of them until passing yesterday afternoon, and his attention attracted by groans and his distress. Louis Ed. Miller, president of the snowshoe club, had been twenty-four hours in a terrible rage and snow, when the road was caught between two timbered and pierced by a protruding hill. He was conscious that his strength and hopes are entertained of his recovery.

The others are supposed to be dead. A rescue party is now digging in the snow for their bodies.

Other wood choppers who occupied a cabin four hundred yards distant, had a narrow escape. They made no investigation. Great indignation is felt at their seemingly inhuman conduct.

BEARS HEAVY ON CHICAGO.

Chicago Fire Underwriters Advance Rates Twenty-five Per Cent.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.— The Chicago Fire Underwriters association, at last night's meeting decided upon a sweeping advance of 25 per cent in rates on mercantile risk. Heretofore the prevailing rate was one per cent, chiefly in the downtown districts.

The reason given for this action is the continued losses by the companies during business in Chicago. The underwriters, whose money was made last year, and that this year the losses so far will equal the gross receipts. The total annual premium taken in by the Chicago companies average \$1,500,000. It is estimated the premiums on the risks affected by the present increase amount to \$1,500,000. Consequently, the insurance companies will put into their coffers an extra \$375,000 by their actions, which will be divided up among 150 companies.

LOYAL AMERICANS.

Grand Commander Reynolds Seeks Members for the New Order.

LANSING, Mich., Feb. 21.— Grand Commander J. A. Reynolds of the recently organized wholly political and semi-military organization known as the Ancient Order of Loyal Americans, says the infant is in a healthy condition. There are now 1,500 fully organized counties in forty-four states and territories. Its next scene of operations will be Chicago.

He says the labor organizations of that city have taken up the movement and with their aid he proposes to organize thirty-seven regiments and put them in the field at once.

BLEW UP THE BRIDGE.

Windows and Doors Smashed by a Bomb at Lancaster, Pa.

LANCASTER, Pa., Feb. 21.— An attempt was made last night to blow up the Chestnut street bridge over the Pennsylvania railroad. The instrument used was a bomb made of gas-pipe, sections of which were found unexploded in the superstructure of the bridge, twenty-five feet from the point of the explosion.

The bridge is not badly damaged, although the concussion smashed windows and broke open doors of neighboring houses, tore many telephone and electric light wires. Many people in the vicinity at first thought it was an earthquake and rushed from their homes, panic-stricken, but on reflecting that it was election night, concluded that some one had fired a cannon in celebration of the Republican victory.

There is great excitement over the affair as it is only a month since a huge dynamite bomb was found under the foundation of a big four-story brick building adjoining the police station.

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The aluminum button badges worn by the Masons, were made by the J. C. Dredge Co., manufacturers of rubber stamps, seals, etc., of this city.

Received Money Total \$300.

TOPERA COAL CO.

HORNERS.

PLEADING FOR SUFFRAGE.

Women Before House Judiciary Committee and Urge Their Cause.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.— Twenty-two ladies, the remainder of the National Woman Suffrage convention, which has been in session in Washington for a week past, appeared before the house judiciary committee this morning.

Among those in the party were Susan B. Anthony, Rev. Anna H. Shaw, Rev. Mrs. Huntington, Mrs. Mrs. President of New York, Mrs. Howard of Georgia, Mrs. Carrie Taylor, Upton of Ohio, Mrs. Jenkins Gifford, of Ohio, Mrs. Ketchum and Mrs. Stansbury of Colorado, and Mrs. Peckler of South Dakota.

But four members of the committee received the full action. Representative Goodright of Kentucky, Broderick of Kansas, Hastings of Louisiana, and Volkswagen of Pennsylvania.

The speech-making was begun by Susan B. Anthony, who after a short talk introduced the Rev. Anna H. Shaw, minister of the Protestant Episcopal church.

Mrs. Shaw took a moment's respite to the treasury both realize this.

Mr. Cleveland was the first to see the dangerous reefs over which the silver waters dashed, and he at once took steps to avoid what he considered a hidden reef.

The Rev. L. Hallin of Illinois declared that men should dignify women by conferring upon them political rights.

Mrs. Virginia C. Young of South Carolina, described the trials of women under the present system. Miss Lavinia Hatch of Massachusetts spoke of the injustice of taxation without representation, and was followed by Mr. Henry Blackwell, a Massachusetts physician of the movement.

Prof. Jennie Gifford, of Buchtel college, Akron, O., urged that all property owners should have a voice in government.

The President's fears.

But the president is not the man to run his legislative head agaito a stone wall. Not he. Instead he will content himself with it within the bounds of possibility. That is why he has had Secretary Carlisle do the impossible so many times endeavoring to bring about a compromise with the silverites. The president realized only too well that a majority of the segments of both houses are solid now. He knows that an unshamed and unashamed, but left to follow his own inclination, Congress would pass a bill to demonetize silver. This he wishes to prevent, and before even a discussion of the question has begun he has set to work to bring about a compromise.

The president evidently understands the situation thoroughly. The silver question is by no means dead. Its fires are burning slow, it is true, but nevertheless surely like those of a charcoal pit, and they are burning. In many places, only needing a breath of popular approval to fan them into a flame that would sweep everything before it. When it does burst forth, it will startle the country, and then perhaps for the first time the country will learn the true inwards of the long drawn out and bitterly contested fight for the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman silver law.

There are many contradictory stories told about that memorable struggle for a single standard. Leading Democrats of silver proclivities have told the writer that they agreed to vote for silver only upon the assurance of the president that this repeal was only a preliminary step to a general revision of the financial laws. He wanted to clear the ground before he went ahead. During the executive session, the president used the executive whip freely. But in order to make it effective it is probably true that Mr. Cleveland did give some assurances to members of both houses who were anxious to secure them. They say that the Indians of the president say he did not. Right now is where the trouble comes in. The silver men are now possessed in the grip of injurious hubris. They say they were tricked. But that is very much to be doubted. Even Mr. Cleveland's enemies admit him to be an honest man.

Congressional Blame's Coverage.

But any argument that can be brought forward cannot dispense him of blame. It is dangerous to those who believe in a single gold standard and extremely hopeful for those who favor bimetallism. Carlisle, notwithstanding his efforts to the contrary, has already obtained a compromise in the name of this Mr. Bland—"Silver Dollar Bland," as he is called—has positively and emphatically refused. Mr. Bland has stacked up against a losing game too long by far not to have a few parliamentary tricks of his own.

The silver men unquestionably have a majority in congress. That is now admitted by every one who has studied the recent congressional situation. The so-called "sound money" men of the other realms this and next preparing to contest every inch of ground.

To the trade the silver men have even a better chance than they have in the lower house. In fact, their battle is practically won before the skirmish.

Representative Bland said to the writer that he had every confidence that the president will not veto his bill. He believed, he said, as he had always believed, that there was a majority in the senate in favor of the coinage of silver, but whether these men could be led to vote openly against the policy of the administration was quite another question.

"But," said Mr. Bland, "it is a fight to a finish. We will never give up until our efforts have been crowned with success."

The Senate at Work.

Meantime the discussion of the Wilson tariff bill goes merrily on in the senate. It is by no means certain that the duty on coal will not be restored, at least in part, and some of the senatorial advocates of the restoration of this duty are frank enough to put their arguments on the ground of practicality. Chairman Wilson never suggested in the house that the coal duty ought to be retained because he happened to represent a coal producing district and his re-election would be endangered by the wiping out of the duty.

The argument is now being used in the senate, however, that Mr. Wilson will be defeated if the duty is not restored, and it is also being urged that Senator Cannon of West Virginia cannot hope to return to the senate this fall unless the coal miners are left without protection. On the other hand, there is no question that the coal miners in New England Democratic on account of the proposal to re-tariff the duty on coal, and while there are no New England Democrats in the senate those in the house are very earnest in their opposition to taxing an industry which they use so largely to their manufacturing establishments, on the products of which the duties have been reduced.

ANARCHISTS ARRESTED.

Twelve of Them Taken to By the Police.

PARIS, Feb. 21.— The police yesterday evening arrested twelve anarchists at the lodgings of an anarchist leader named Duprat. Among those taken into custody upon this occasion was the anarchist Bastard, who is supposed to be the author of yesterday's outrages.

None of the injured, who were so dangerously wounded yesterday by the explosion of the bomb in the Rue St. Jacques, and the other five wounded by the same explosion are progressing favorably.

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PORUGAL MUST GIVE IN.

French Minister Won't Go Back Until French Interests are Recognized.

PARIS, Feb. 21.— M. Bihourd, the French minister to Portugal, has arrived here from Lisbon and had an audience with Premier Camisier Perier.

It is announced that M. Bihourd will not return to Lisbon until the Portuguese cabinet has accorded French interests the satisfaction which France requires.

AFRAID OF SILVER.

Cleveland Sees So Many Silver Democrats,

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Senators Are Wrestling With the Tariff.

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